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HOGS AND PIGS – DECEMBER 1, 2019

ARIZONA

Arizona inventory of **all hogs and pigs** on December 1, 2019 was 161,000 head, down 5 percent from last year. **Breeding inventory**, at 16,000 head, was down 1,000 head from last year. **Market hog inventory**, at 145,000 head, was down 5 percent from last year.

The December 2018-November 2019 **annual pig crop**, at 298,000 head, was down 1 percent from the previous year. Sows farrowing during this period totaled 30,500 head, up 500 head from a year ago. The average pigs saved per litter was 9.77 for the December 2018-November 2019 period, compared with 10.07 the previous year.

COLORADO

Colorado inventory of **all hogs and pigs** on December 1, 2019 was 750,000 head, down 4 percent from September 1, 2019 but unchanged from last year. **Breeding inventory**, at 155,000 head, was down 5,000 head from the previous quarter but unchanged from last year. **Market hog inventory**, at 595,000 head, was down 4 percent from last quarter but unchanged from last year.

The September-November 2019 **quarterly pig crop**, at 806,000 head, was up 12 percent from 2018. Sows farrowing during this period totaled 76,000 head, up 1,000 head from a year ago. The average pigs saved per litter was 10.60 for the September-November 2019 period, compared with 9.60 last year.

The December 2018-November 2019 **annual pig crop**, at 3.19 million head, was up 11 percent from the previous year. Sows farrowing during this period totaled 310,000 head, up 9,000 head from a year ago. The average pigs saved per litter was 10.30 for the December 2018-November 2019 period, compared with 9.60 the previous year.

MONTANA

Montana inventory of **all hogs and pigs** on December 1, 2019 was 210,000 head, up 9 percent from last year. **Breeding inventory**, at 37,000 head, was up 4,000 head from last year. **Market hog inventory**, at 173,000 head, was up 9 percent from last year.

The December 2018-November 2019 **annual pig crop**, at 699,000 head, was up 20 percent from the previous year. Sows farrowing during this period totaled 64,000 head, up 11,000 head from a year ago. The average pigs saved per litter was 10.92 for the December 2018-November 2019 period, compared with 10.96 the previous year.

NEW MEXICO

New Mexico inventory of **all hogs and pigs** on December 1, 2019 was 2,000 head, up 700 head from last year. **Breeding inventory**, at 700 head, was up 100 head from last year. **Market hog inventory**, at 1,300 head, was up 600 head from last year.

The December 2018-November 2019 **annual pig crop**, at 3,400 head, was up 300 head from the previous year. Sows farrowing during this period totaled 400 head, unchanged from a year ago. The average pigs saved per litter was 8.50 for the December 2018-November 2019 period, compared with 7.75 the previous year.

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UTAH

Utah inventory of **all hogs and pigs** on December 1, 2019 was 960,000 head, unchanged from September 1, 2018 and up 35 percent from last year. **Breeding inventory**, at 80,000 head, was unchanged from the previous quarter and unchanged from last year. **Market hog inventory**, at 880,000 head, was unchanged from last quarter and up 40 percent from last year.

The September-November 2019 **quarterly pig crop**, at 472,000 head, was up 28 percent from 2018. Sows farrowing during this period totaled 41,000 head, up 4,000 head from a year ago. The average pigs saved per litter was 11.50 for the September-November 2019 period, compared with 10.00 last year.

The December 2018-November 2019 **annual pig crop**, at 1.78 million head, was up 34 percent from the previous year. Sows farrowing during this period totaled 168,000 head, up 22,000 head from a year ago. The average pigs saved per litter was 10.62 for the December 2018-November 2019 period, compared with 9.14 the previous year.

WYOMING

Wyoming inventory of **all hogs and pigs** on December 1, 2019 was 94,000 head, up 7 percent from last year. **Breeding inventory**, at 37,000 head, was up 4,000 head from last year. **Market hog inventory**, at 57,000 head, was up 4 percent from last year.

The December 2018-November 2019 **annual pig crop**, at 726,000 head, was up 8 percent from the previous year. Sows farrowing during this period totaled 72,500 head, unchanged from a year ago. The average pigs saved per litter was 10.01 for the December 2018-November 2019 period, compared with 9.27 the previous year.

UNITED STATES

United States inventory of all hogs and pigs on December 1, 2019 was 77.3 million head. This was up 3 percent from December 1, 2018, but down slightly from September 1, 2019. **Breeding inventory**, at 6.46 million head, was up 2 percent from last year, and up slightly from the previous quarter. **Market hog inventory**, at 70.9 million head, was up 3 percent from last year, but down slightly from last quarter.

The **September-November 2019 pig crop**, at 35.1 million head, was up 2 percent from 2018. Sows farrowing during this period totaled 3.17 million head, down 1 percent from 2018. The sows farrowed during this quarter represented 49 percent of the breeding herd. The average pigs saved per litter was a record high of 11.09 for the September-November period, compared to 10.76 last year.

United States hog producers intend to have 3.13 million sows farrow during the December 2019-February 2020 quarter, up 1 percent from the actual farrowings during the same period one year earlier, and up 5 percent from the same period two years earlier. Intended farrowings for March-May 2020, at 3.15 million sows, are up slightly from the same period one year earlier, and up 3 percent from the same period two years earlier. The total number of hogs under contract owned by operations with over 5,000 head, but raised by contractees, accounted for 48 percent of the total United States hog inventory, unchanged from the previous year.

All inventory and pig crop estimates for March 2018 through September 2019 were reviewed using final pig crop, official slaughter, death loss, and updated import and export data. The revision made to the September 2019 all hogs and pigs inventory was 0.1 percent. The net revision made to the June 2019 all hogs and pigs inventory was 0.3 percent. A net revision of 0.8 percent was made to the March-May 2019 pig crop. The net revision to the March 2019 all hogs and pigs inventory was 0.5 percent and 0.5 to the December 2018-February 2019 pig crop. The net revision to the December 2018 all hogs and pigs inventory was 0.7 percent and 1.5 percent to the September-November 2018 pig crop. The net revision to the September 2018 all hogs and pigs inventory was 1.2 percent and 0.4 percent to the June-August 2018 pig crop. The net revision to the June 2018 all hogs and pigs inventory was 1.7 percent and 1.8 percent to the March-May 2018 pig crop. The net revision to the March 2018 all hogs and pigs inventory was 1.2 percent and 2.6 percent to the December 2017- February 2018 pig crop.

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